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Case	Per Bot.
A. Alto Duro, good quality, Green Cap...	\$10.00
B. Vintage, superior quality, Red Cap...	12.10
C. Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Cap...	1.85
D. Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Cap...	18.150
E. Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Cap...	6.080
F. Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Cap...	7.50 0.75
G. Marseilles, Fine National Sherry, White Cap...	10.100
H. Superior Old Dry, Pale National Sherry, Red Cap...	10.100
I. Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old wine, White Cap...	12.110
J. Dry, very fine quality, Black Cap...	14.125

CLARETS.

A. Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Cap...	\$4.50 0.00
B. St. Estephe, Red Cap...	4.50 0.00
C. St. Julien, Red Cap...	11.12.00
D. In Euxine, Red Cap...	11.12.00

BRANDY.

A. Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Cap...	\$12.10 0.00
B. Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Cap...	14.125
C. Very Old Cognac, Red Cap...	18.150
D. Hennessy's Finest Very Old Cognac, 1872, Red Cap...	24.200

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A. Thorne's Blend, White Cap...	8.075
B. Watson's Blend, White Cap...	8.075
C. Watson's Blend, White Cap...	8.075
D. Watson's Blend, White Cap...	8.075
E. Watson's Blend, White Cap...	12.110

IRISH WHISKY.

A. John Jameson's Old, Green Cap...	8.075
B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Cap...	10.100
C. John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Cap...	12.110

GENUINE BOURBON WHISKY.

A. Fine Old Tom, White Cap...	4.50 0.40
B. Fine Unweathered, White Cap...	4.50 0.40
C. Fine A. V. H. Geneva, White Cap...	5.35 0.50

LIQUEURS.

A. Benedictine, Maraschino, Hearing's Cherry Cordial, &c.	12.100
B. Benedictine, Maraschino, Hearing's Cherry Cordial, &c.	12.100

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.
Only communications relating to the news columns should be addressed to "The Editor."
Correspondents are requested to forward their names and addresses with their communications, so that they may be published, but no correspondence will be published unless accompanied by a note of the Editor.

THE DAILY PRESS.
HONGKONG, JUNE 27, 1890.

The same eminent authority considers that in the former there are not more than 400,000 square miles to be taken up, and in the latter, including Western and South Australia and Queensland—important exceptions, by the way, in point of area—there are about 500,000 square miles. There are, about a million and a half of square miles still vacant in the various States of South America; but this reserve is left out of calculation as being specially appropriated by the Latin races. Mr. Giffen draws the deduction that the English nation should no longer look to emigration as the only natural form of relief for congestion, but have regard to other modes of providing for the wants of a dense and increasing population.

The time for that has, however, we think, hardly come yet, and happily so, for, we are not prepared to devise a scheme to enable six persons to live on the area which has hitherto nourished but one. Mr. Giffen's solution of the problem is education; but though this may do much by stimulating invention and scientific discovery, it will also increase something in the other direction by increasing the cost of living. It is evident that we are now within a measurable distance of the time when the United States will offer no particular inducements to Europeans to change their home, but for the first half of the next century Canada and Australia will certainly continue to do so. Even the tropical portions of the latter may become peopled by Caucasians, and the vast deserts of the interior may be reclaimed by afforestation or other measures for promoting the rainfall and so removing from it the cause of sterility. New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, and other island groups in the broad Pacific are also capable of supporting many millions of people, their population being trifling at present; and South Africa will for years to come offer a fine field for the adventurous and industrious Caucasian settler. The Americans are already beginning to question the wisdom of admitting the promiscuous overflow from all other lands, and a day may perchance arrive when Anglo-Saxon emigrants alone will be received with favour in British Colonies, but meantime these great continents continue a dumping ground for the surplus human stock of every thickly populated country in the globe.

There remain some few other countries which are not usually included in the estimate of available lands for European colonization, and most of these are in the limits of the far-reaching British empire. We allude to the colonies within the tropical region. Of these the Malay Peninsula, British Borneo, and British New Guinea form the principal because they are the least developed and most sparsely populated. The climate is in all these, it may be admitted, too hot to permit of Europeans engaging in outdoor manual labour, but, as in the case of Ceylon, they may engage in planting, with the aid of Indians or natives as labourers, and this will no doubt be the case. It may be too, that when the struggle for a subsistence wages keener, as it needs must do, they will likewise monopolize the trades. In any case they will become an affluent class contributing, by their demands for European luxuries, to the support and extension of the manufacturing industries at home. This is the case very largely at present, and to a considerable extent, accounts for the immensity and wealth of London. Whence come the tenants for the immense terraces and villas of the suburbs of the huge metropolis? From India and the colonies. Whence is the population of the resident gentleman in Leamington, Cheltenham, Tunbridge Wells, Bath, and other health resorts in England derived? From the ranks of the half-pay officers, the retired civil officials from India and the Colonies, the merchants and professional men who have won the right to spend the balance of their days at ease in the dear old land that gave them birth. This class will go on increasing, and so must the prosperity of the tropical colonies, now in the infancy of their development. It is possible, indeed, that the Caucasian may in course of time, with superior knowledge, the fruits of experience and research, learn to adapt himself to all climatic conditions, and Australia may, as her people now hope and pray, be conserved to the Caucasian alone. In any case he will be dominant there, and probably some day also in Central Africa, where a British Company is now bent on founding a new empire, the extent, wealth, and future importance of which it is impossible to predict.

The P. & O. steamer *Nile*, with the next outward English mail, left Singapore for this port on the 24th at 6 p.m.

The *Titanic*, the ship, and the *Chatterbox* and *Villar*, French mail, left for Hongkong for the 30th at 10 a.m.

The steamer *Monaco*, which left for London, took down a launch built by A. G. Gordon & Co. Limited, for the North Borneo Government.

Amongst the passengers departed for London yesterday by the P. & O. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro* was Mr. J. M. Giffen, Chief of the U. S. S. *Monaco*, with Minister Dooley and his family on board, left Shanghai for the south on the 27th at 10 a.m.

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As the *Panama* was coming from Canton on Monday night, one of the Chinese passengers jumped overboard. The steamer was stopped, and the man picked up alive.

Three old women were burned to death in a fire at Kobe on the 25th May.

The German flag-ship *Leopold* arrived at noon from Shanghai, with Admiral Valdes on board, and left later in the day for Singapore.

The *Myosotis* arrived at Whampoa from Hankow at 5.35 p.m. on the 25th May, and after anchoring for half an hour, left at 120 p.m. for London, being the first steamer with tea for this season.

Reports from the district of the *Mercury* says, of a very favourable character, and it is believed that this year's crop will be fully equal to that of the previous year.

The American ship *General Gordon*, which arrived in New York on April 14th from Hongkong, made the passage in the shortest time of 93 days.

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POLICE COURT.
3rd June.
Before Mr. H. E. Woodhouse.

RECKING A HOUSE FOR AN UNLAWFUL PURPOSE.
Ng Cheong, a carpenter, was charged with recking a house for an unlawful purpose on the 3rd instant.

BRINGING GOODS TO THE COLONY FOR AN UNLAWFUL PURPOSE.
Chau Sam, labourer, was charged with bringing two Annamese girls to the Colony for an unlawful purpose on the 2nd inst.

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SUPREME COURT.
3rd June.
IN VICE ADMIRALTY.

Before His Honour Mr. Justice Giffen.
Johannes Witting v. The "Junk" "Sun Hing".

Mr. Leach, instructed by Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, was for the plaintiff, and Mr. Francis, Q.C., instructed by Mr. Ho Wai-sun, was for the defendant.

His Lordship, in delivering judgment in this case, said that the only question was whether the defendant's ship was liable for the collision with the plaintiff's ship.

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THE PROPOSED TELEGRAPH CONVENTION.

In writing against the proposed Telegraph Convention we have generally confined ourselves to dwelling on its disadvantages to the foreigner.

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